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## JUDICIARY COMMITTEE IGNORES MILITIA-MAN'S TESTIMONY

"Fireman Hoses Down Judge" read the front page of *The Trentonian*, Nov. 9, 1999, and for good reason.

Back in July of 1996, NJ militia member and former Trenton fireman Bob Figueroa wrote letters to Mercer County Superior Court judges Phillip Carchman and Patrick McManimon complaining "of McManimon's handling of Figueroa's divorce and child custody case." The judges were "alarmed" by the letters, and Figueroa was charged with harassment (the charges were later dropped.)

"When Figueroa was brought before [Trenton Municipal court judge Audrey] Blackburn on the harassment charge, he switched on a tape recorder and began to state his claim that the case was out of Blackburn's jurisdiction.

"Blackburn ordered Figueroa arrested on contempt of court charges less than a minute into the court appearance when he ignored her request to turn off the tape recorder.

"Figueroa was taken to jail where he remained for 15 days on the contempt charge.

"It was later revealed that Figueroa was correct and that the proper jurisdiction for the harassment case was in superior Court -- not Blackburn's municipal courtroom," reported *The Trentonian*.

It was also revealed that judges must wait five before jailing someone on a contempt charge -- a law which Blackburn ignored. (Ed.: To add insult to injury the federal judge who heard Figueroa's civil rights case agreed that Blackburn's conduct was wrong and unlawful, but that she was shielded from accountability by judicial immunity.)

"I was in court for a period not longer than 30 seconds and she had me arrested, hauled out of the courtroom, thrown against a wall, handcuffed, and thrown in the city lockup," said Figueroa before the N.J. Senate Judiciary Committee. He also leveled a charge of "malicious contempt" for violating his civil rights against the judge and "...of being dishonest in a certification she filed explaining her actions."

Blackburn had been nominated for a Superior Court judgeship; but after hearing Figueroa's testimony "several members of the Judiciary Committee were disturbed enough by the case to suggest that the nomination be held pending a further investigation by the committee," reported the article.

Nonetheless the Judiciary Committee later unanimously approved Blackburn's nomination, as did the full NJ Senate.

## FBI: MILITIAS A THREAT AT MILLENNIUM

"With some extremists attaching apocalyptic significance to the new millennium, the FBI is quietly warning local police about possible threats posed by anti-government militias and hate organizations," reported *USA TODAY* October 20, 1999.

That's right folks, according to the violent, murderous and extremist cult known as the Federal Bureau of Investigation all militias and patriots will start howling at the moon come midnight December 31.

The article also mentioned a connection between Y2K and Armageddon that will somehow trigger extreme anti-government activity among militia groups. If the FBI believes their psycho-babble, and apparently they do because they've titled it "Operation Megiddo," they're in desperate need of some serious Bible study. For the record: the word "Armageddon" is Hebrew for the "hill of Megiddo," and Megiddo is the valley that runs north-south in central Israel. The battle of Armageddon will be fought around this hill. It's a war between God and man -- not the federal government and militia groups.

"The FBI has urged police to be alert to changes in behavior of known militias and cult groups and to the possible stockpiling of weapons. Anti-government groups, particularly the loose network of militias, drew considerable attention after the Oklahoma City bombing in 1995, which killed 168 people," reported the article.

"Millennium, Militias, and Mayhem: What to Expect in the Coming Year" is the title of a seminar the FBI presented to the

International Association of Chiefs of Police in Charlotte, NC back in October. It was closed to the public. -- And they call us "conspiracy wackos?"

## THE SHINING STAR: SPIN IS NOT AN INVESTIGATION

--By Sheriff George Nourse

Janet Reno's Whacky War on Waco is back in the news. And Washington D.C. is gearing up to give it a second coat of whitewash.

Rep. Henry Waxman (D-CA) is leading the defense, saying the Republicans overlooked the evidence that the FBI shot incendiary devices into the Davidians' compound. This, of course, conflicts with Janet Reno's statement that the FBI assured her no incendiary devices were used.

Washington doesn't investigate. It spins! The spin in Waco was to demonize the people who were killed. (Demonizing people was the tactic used to justify the killing of innocent people as witches in our early history.) The feds killed more people at Waco than all the school violence and wacko shootings added together over the last six years. Seventeen of the 24 Waco children were under the age of ten. Think about it! The terror! The screaming and confusion those people went through before they died. Compare how the national news media beat us over the head with all the lurid details of Columbine, and the absence of such details at Waco. The media bought Washington's spin, plain and simple.

My hat is off to the chief of the Texas Rangers. After six years the truth about the Waco War may come out. But don't bet on it; the Washington spin machine is hard at work. The investigation by the Texas Rangers is not spin! A dozen spent rifle cartridges preferred by sharpshooters, as well as the FBI and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, were found in a house near the Davidians' compound that was occupied by federal agents during the stand-off. Both agencies denied firing a single round during the stand-off that followed the initial attack.



The reason I call it the "Waco War" is because the mentality of the ATF and FBI was identical to the mentality used in fighting a war. They certainly were not there to solve a social problem in the sense local law enforcement applies. The question that really bothers me is, How did the federal government take over such an operation? And, why the total absence of local law enforcement on the scene? What was the local sheriff doing while all of this was going on?

I have never been told this part of the story, and it deeply worries me. I know what my position would be here in Canyon County [Idaho]. And I'm more than a little concerned as to what that might lead to.

Think about it! Law enforcement officers shooting fully automatic weapons at a building, knowing there are 24 small children inside. This is not law enforcement! It is an act of war at its worst. Reflect on what happened in the local law enforcement agency involved with Rodney King: officers caught on video hitting King with night sticks. King was high on P.C.P., and led officers on a high-speed chase that threatened the lives of anyone in his path. King wasn't killed. In fact, he wasn't even hospitalized.

Result? King got \$1,000,000; two police officers went to prison; and the police chief got fired. Compare this to Waco, and you come up with a huge credibility gap.

If the American people are counting on Detective Janet Reno for answers on Waco, they should know by now she can't detect a giraffe in a band of sheep! It's all a spin!

## THE LAST LINE OF DEFENSE

By Prof. Robert J. Cottrol

The right to bear arms is a matter of individual safety and, ultimately, freedom. The issue goes far beyond gun nuts.

The central premise of the gun control movement is that society becomes more civilized when the citizen surrenders the means of self-defense, leaving the state a monopoly of force.

That this premise goes largely unchallenged is the most remarkable feature of our gun control debate. We are ending a century that has repeatedly witnessed the consequences of unchecked state monopolies of force. University of Hawaii political scientist Rudolph J. Rummel, one of the leading students of democide (mass murder of civilian populations by governments), has estimated that nearly 170 million people have been murdered by their own governments in our century [through 1987]. The familiar list of mass murderers--Hitler, Stalin, Mao, Pol Pot--only scratches the surface. The mass slaughter

of helpless, unarmed civilian populations continues in Sudan, Rwanda, parts of the former Yugoslavia and East Timor. The reluctance of outside forces to intervene is well documented. And yet the obvious question is strangely absent: Would arms in the hands of average citizens have made a difference? Could the over stretched Nazi war machine have murdered 11 million armed and resisting Europeans while also taking on the Soviet and Anglo-American armies? Could 50,000 to 70,000 Khmer Rouge have butchered 2 million to 3 million armed Cambodians? The answers are by no means clear, but it is unconscionable that they are not being asked.

Need Americans have such concerns? We have been spared rule by dictators, but state tyranny can come in other forms. It can come when government refuses to protect unpopular groups--people who are disfavored because of their political or religious beliefs, their ancestry or the color of their skin. Our past has certainly not been free of this brand of state tyranny. In the Jim Crow South, for example, government failed to protect blacks from extra-legal violence. Given our history, it's stunning that we fail to question those who would force us to rely totally on the state for defense. Nor should our discussion be limited to foreign or historical examples. The lives and freedoms of decent, law-abiding citizens throughout our nation, especially in our dangerous inner cities, are constantly threatened by criminal predators. This has devastated minority communities. And yet the effort to limit the right to armed self-defense has been most intense in such communities. Bans on firearm ownership in public housing, the constant effort to ban pistols poor people can afford--scornfully labeled "Saturday night specials" and "junk guns"--are denying the means of self-defense to entire communities in a failed attempt to disarm criminal predators. In many under-protected minority communities, citizens have been disarmed and left to the mercy of well-armed criminals.

This has led to further curtailment of freedom. Consider initiatives in recent years to require tenants in public housing to allow their apartments to be searched. First, police failed for decades to protect citizens in many of our most dangerous public housing projects. Next, as the situation became sufficiently desperate, tenants were prohibited from owning firearms for their own defense. Finally the demand came, "Surrender your right to privacy in your home." The message could not be clearer: A people incapable of protecting themselves will lose their rights as a free people, becoming either servile dependents of the state or of the criminal predators who are their de facto masters. All of this should force us to reconsider our debate over arms and rights. For too long, it has been framed as a question of the

rights of sportsmen. It is far more serious: The 2nd Amendment has something critical to say about the relationship between the citizen and the state. For most of human history, in most of the nations in the world, the individual has all too often been a helpless dependent of the state, beholden to the state's benevolence and indeed competence for his physical survival.

The notion of a right to arms bespeaks a very different relationship. It says the individual is not simply a helpless bystander in the difficult and dangerous task of ensuring his or her safety. Instead, the citizen is an active participant, an equal partner with the state in ensuring not only his own safety but also that of his community.

This is a serious right that takes the individual from servile dependency on the state to the status of participating citizen, capable of making intelligent choices in defense of life and ultimately of freedom. This conception of citizenship recognizes that the ultimate civil right is the right to defend one's own life, that without that right all other rights are meaningless and that without the means, the right to self-defense is but an empty promise.

Our serious thinkers have been absent from this debate for too long. The 2nd Amendment is too important to leave to the gun nuts.

## SOVIET A-BOMBS IN U.S.

"According to Russian sources, including Russian General Alexander Lebed, Russia produced 132 nuclear suitcase bombs, each carrying 10 kilotons of explosive material. Only 48 remain in Russia's inventory; the rest have disappeared," reported the *NY Post* November 7, 1999.

"Congressional sources indicate that the FBI scoured the area around Brainard, Minn. -- one area where Russian agents were believed to have forward-deployed weapons in the event of a war.

"A leading congressional expert on Russia and chairman of the House Armed Services Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, said, *"There is no doubt that the Soviets stored material in this country. The question is what and where."*

Pres. Clinton doesn't want to press Yeltsin as to where the bombs may be hidden "for fear of destabilizing [Yeltsin's] shaky position vis-a-vis the country's military leadership." And, "The FBI has taken a nonchalant approach to locating the secret caches," reported the *Post*.

"Colonel Stanislav Lunev, the highest ranking military spy ever to defect from Russia, has testified that the Soviet military developed elaborate plans for the use of weapons during the outset of a war with the U.S.

**We hang the petty thieves and appoint the great ones to public office.**

--Aesop



"One KGB defector, Vasili Mitrokhin, provided information to British intelligence that secret weapons stockpiles are scattered throughout the U.S., including upstate New York, California, Texas, Montana and Minnesota."

If it were reported that a militia member had a post-ban 30-round ammunition clip in his possession half the federal government would jump on him. The Russians on the other hand can hide nuclear weapons on U.S. soil and not even get questioned about it. -- Who is the enemy? Are we missing something here?

## NOT SO MERRY MARYLAND

"Maryland Attorney General J. Joseph Curran is proposing a wide-ranging package of laws that would make the state's gun control regulations among the strictest in the nation and says his ultimate goal is a ban on handguns," reported Daniel LeDuc in the *Washington Post* October 20, 1999.

*"Our public policy goal must be to rid our communities of handguns,"* said Curran adding, *"Handguns should be the province of the military or law enforcement or a special segment of people such as some sporting enthusiasts or shopkeepers needing protection."*

"Sporting enthusiasts?" We can't comment on that because we don't have a clue as to what Mr. Curran's interpretation of a "sporting enthusiast" is. However, we can comment on his proposal: He's not an elected official, has no legislative powers, and answers to no one.

If he wants to legislate, let him run for office and, if elected, create synthetic felonies all he wants. And since when does public policy overrule the law?

## NAACP AT IT AGAIN

"The NAACP has filed a second lawsuit against the gun industry, calling for oversight of gun sellers in an effort to identify those involved in illegal sales.

"A lawsuit the civil rights organization filed in July alleges that manufacturers negligently market handguns and that such action has led to disproportionate numbers of injuries, deaths and other damages among minorities," reported the AP.

*"We believe that, together with firearms manufacturers, gun distributors can and should enforce the kind of changes in industry practices which will make this nation safer for all of us,"* said NAACP President Kweisi Mfume. Translation: Stop selling guns to Blacks; their friends the police will protect them.

"It would stop the purchases made with the 'wink-wink' where retailers know where

the guns will end up," said NAACP attorney Ms. Dunleavy.

The lawsuit names distributors AccuSport, of Ohio, Ellett Brothers of South Carolina and RSR Group of Florida as representatives of the defendant companies. Lawyers hope to win class-action status and sue 122 distributors, the *Post* reported.

## FORFEITURE: THIS IS HOW IT WORKS TODAY

The following case concerning property forfeiture comes from Rhode Island and is very illustrative as to the real goal of such government action: greed. Luz Rivera of Providence, RI was arrested in 1995 and charged with drug dealing. The police also confiscated \$860 from her apartment after a search. Ms. Rivera had the charges against her dismissed in 1996 after she successfully proved she was at work and not at her apartment at the time of the alleged drug deal. Being found innocent of the charges, she naturally requested that her \$860 be returned and obtained the necessary court order for this to happen. The state refused to honor the court order and Ms. Rivera contacted the local chapter of the American Civil Liberties union to assist her in obtaining the return of her money. The ACLU has threatened the state with a contempt order but the state attorney general's office has filed a motion to have the 1996 order requiring the return of the confiscated cash null and void. The state meanwhile maintains Ms. Rivera's cash was lawfully forfeited. Considering Ms. Rivera has been cleared of any charges of illegal activity, what is the basis of the state's claim? Very simply, it is the basis of greed. The state government wants Ms. Rivera's cash and has decided to keep it, all moral considerations, notwithstanding. A clearer example of the real reason behind property forfeiture could not be given. It is money pure and simple. Citizens have it and the government wants it.

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## A Plan To Eliminate Rape That Anti-Gun Males Will Love

"I'm getting very sick and tired of 'law-abiding' anti-gun males telling me that I'm a criminal and a menace to society because I own guns. I have never committed a crime with any of my guns and I have owned them for many years. These idiots tell me that I absolutely must give them up so that we can live in a safer society that will not have any gun violence.

"I say that these guys need to apply their type of 'logic' to the crime of rape. All rapists misuse their male genitals to commit the crime of rape. All males are born with male genitals and most men don't commit rape. This means that all males are rapists because they have male genitals. The anti-gun males are rapists. I'll make a deal with these idiots. I'll give up

my guns if they will castrate themselves and cut off their [expletive] Lorena Bobbitt-style, to prevent rape and promote public safety. I'm really sure that we will have a rape free society if they will only do this important favor for me."

--Elaine Edenfield

*(Don't hold back Elaine--tell us how you really feel. --Ed.)*

## SHARLENE WILSON FREED

(ABOUT TIME!)

For those who have watched the videos "The Mena Connection" and "The Clinton Chronicles" the name Sharlene Wilson should be well known. She told her story about doing coke in Arkansas with Bill Clinton and his brother Roger -- and supplying them with drugs as well.

*"I know what I did was wrong. But the Lord is my witness, and what Bill Clinton did was wrong, and I can prove it. And now I will be free to tell my story!"* said Wilson

After serving seven years Arkansas Governor Mike Huckabee commuted Wilson's 31-year sentence.

Wilson, with her new found freedom, is hitting the radio waves with her story. *"Bill was so messed up that night, he slid down the wall into a garbage can,"* said Wilson on a radio talk show in California. She has become a favorite with radio listeners and is frequently asked to be a guest on various talk shows.

## Hello Fellow NJ Gun Owner

I think you would be interested in knowing that NJTV Channel 12 aired a report stating that New Jersey DYFS (Division of Youth and Family Services) was being investigated for having contributed to about 300 child deaths a year due to their poor casework. This is an alarming statistic, and I suspect could be one of the leading causes of child death in NJ. Perhaps you have the resources to further investigate this report. Perhaps these 300 children would be better off had they been armed and better able to protect themselves!

--Gary G.

## LOS ANGELES CONSIDERS BAN ON AMMO SALES

If "Hatriots" have their way, L.A. may become the first U.S. city to ban the sale of ammunition. *PRNewswire* reported: "A draft of a proposed ordinance to ban the retail sale of ammunition and its components in the city of Los Angeles was sent by Assistant City Attorney Henry Morris to the Board of Police Commissioners for their 'review and comment'; this is prior to a scheduled meeting



of the Public Safety Committee of the City Council."

## MAKING CRIMINALS FEEL GOOD

As National Rifle Association President Charlton Heston testified on Capitol Hill, there are currently 22,000 federal, state, and local gun laws on the books, most of which are never enforced. He properly asked why more gun laws are the answer when current gun laws are not being enforced and criminals pay no attention to them... Heston quoted Deputy Attorney General Eric Holder, who told *USA Today*, 'It's not the federal government's role to prosecute gun cases.' Then why pass them in the first place? ... (Because) more laws make some people feel good, including criminals who now have easier pickings."

--Columnist Cal Thomas, *Los Angeles Times*

## EPISCOPALIANS AND GUNS ...NOT!

Steve Kloehn, *Chicago Tribune*, Nov. 14, 1999

"Episcopalians in northern Illinois will debate a resolution to get their guns out of their homes, as the Diocese of Chicago meets for its annual convention.

"The proposed resolution calls on Episcopalians to remove 'handguns and assault weapons' from their homes and cars because 'the violence in our midst is enabled by the presence of guns.' It has no enforcement mechanism.

"If the roughly 500 clergy and lay delegates meeting at St. James Cathedral pass the resolution, the diocese will ask the rest of the 2.5-million-member denomination to follow suit.

"But first, anti-violence activists in the diocese--which represents 50,000 Episcopalians across the northern third of the state, from Chicago to the Mississippi River--will likely face opposition from two camps: gun owners, and those who do not think the church should impose social mandates on members."

## JUSTICE DOUGLAS & THE NEW KING GEORGE III

"In his book *Points of Rebellion* Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas advocated revolution in the appropriate circumstances. *"We must realize that today's Establishment is the new George III. Whether it will continue to adhere to [King George's] tactics, we do not know. If it does, the redress, honored in tradition, is revolution."* There were calls by some for impeachment following this publication.

--Jon Roland

## CONTACTING WACO SURVIVORS

If anyone would like to write letters of encouragement to Waco survivors in federal prisons, here are their addresses:

**Avraam Renos**, born 2/26/64, is a British businessman and musician of Greek heritage. He joined the Davidians in 1991 and escaped the fire. He is serving a 40 year sentence. Write: Avraam Renos #60590-080 2680, Box 3000, Fox Hollow Road, Manchester, KY 40962.

**Brad Branch**, born 1/31/59, is a Navy veteran and technician from Texas. A frequent visitor to Mount Carmel who left during the siege. He is serving a 40 year sentence. Write: Brad Branch #60536-080, Box 26030, Beaumont, TX 77010-3027.

**Jaime Castillo** Born 6/4/68, is a California drummer, guitarist and songwriter who joined the Davidians in 1988 and escaped the fire. He is serving a 40 year sentence. Write: Jaime Castillo #60594-080, Box 26030, Beaumont, TX 77010-3027

**Graeme Craddock**, born 11/29/61, is an engineer from Australia who had been at Mount Carmel for a year and escaped the fire. He is serving a 20 year sentence. Write: Graeme Craddock #60593-080, Box 5000 Oakdale, LA 71463

**Livingstone Fagan**, born 5/15/59 in Jamaica, is a social worker and masters in theology who spent most of his life in Britain.

The father of two, who lost his wife and mother in the fire, exited during the siege. He is serving a 40 year sentence. Write: Livingstone Fagan #60550-080, USP Allenwood, Box 3500, White Deer, PA 17887

**Paul Fatta**, born 2/28/58, is a businessman from Hawaii who joined the Davidians in the late 1980s and was outside Mount Carmel on February 28, 1993. He is serving a 15 year sentence. Write: Paul Fatta #61154-079, Route 2, Box 820, Safford, AZ 85546

**Kevin Whitecliff**, born 6/23/61, is a father of two from Hawaii who had been Mount Carmel for a year and left during the siege. He is serving a 40 year sentence. Write: Kevin Whitecliff #60537-080, Box 26030, Beaumont, TX 77010-3027

## BAD NEWS FROM FLORIDA

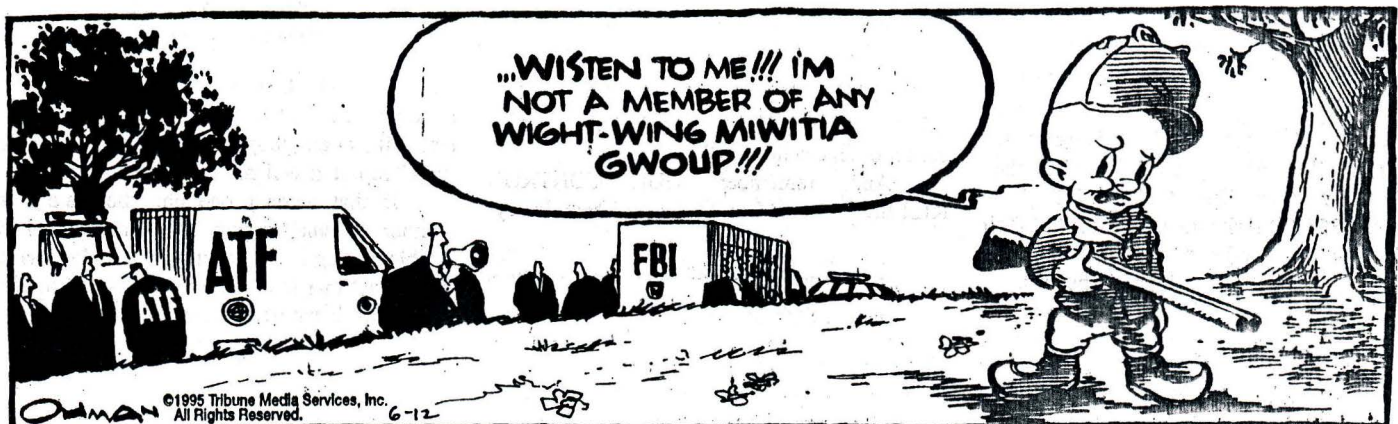
"If Miami's county scores a total victory in its lawsuit against the gun manufacturers, firearm sales would end altogether," said a Florida judge, according to Reuters Nov. 16, 1999. *"If you were to get exactly what you wanted, they'd be taken off the market entirely,"* said Circuit Court Judge Amy Dean.

"Miami-Dade County filed a product liability lawsuit against two dozen gun-makers, distributors and industry groups, seeking to recoup tax dollars spent treating gunfire victims and investigating gun-related crimes. Judge Dean heard arguments on the gun manufacturers' request to dismiss the lawsuit on grounds that it is overly vague and that the county has no legal standing to sue.

"The judge did not rule, giving both sides three days to file more briefs. She also asked the county's attorney if Miami-Dade County thought it could stop crime by toughening regulation of gun manufacturers.

"Defendants in the lawsuit include Smith & Wesson Corp., Beretta U.S.A. Corp., Glock Inc., Sturm, Ruger & Company, Inc., Colt's Manufacturing Company Inc., Browning Arms Co. and Carl Walther GmbH."

*"Every single one of these defendants sells unreasonably dangerous guns,"* said Henigan, an attorney with the Washington-based Center to Prevent Handgun Violence.





**"We are talking about specific design defects that cost lives."**

Anne Kimball, representing all the defendants, said the county was attempting to legislate the gun industry, something that the Florida Constitution gives the legislature sole authority to do.

She said the lawsuit was too vague to proceed under state liability laws that require that there be specific plaintiffs with specific complaints involving specific products.

Kimball called it *"an amorphous group of plaintiffs complaining about an amorphous group of products. They're suing all the manufacturers and they're claiming all the products are defective,"* she said.

## Top 25 Most Evil People of the Millennium

--NYPost Poll 9/30/99-11/1/99

1. Adolf Hitler	1664	8.67%
2. Bill Clinton	1284	8.47%
3. Josef Stalin	1284	6.69%
4. Pol Pot	919	4.79%
5. Dr. Josef Mengele	783	4.08%
6. Hillary Clinton	765 (Write in)	3.99%
7. Saddam Hussein	710	3.70%
8. Adolf Eichmann	641	3.34%
9. Charles Manson	548	2.86%
10. Idi Amin	514	2.68%
11. Genghis Khan	441	2.30%
12. Jeffrey Dahmer	428	2.23%
13. Benito Mussolini	386	2.01%
14. Ayatollah Khomeini	365	1.90%
15. Ted Bundy		1.70%
16. John Wayne Gacy	312	1.63%
17. Ivan the Terrible	305	1.59%
18. Fidel Castro	283	1.48%
19. Jim Jones	279	1.45%
20. Vlad the Impaler	276	1.44%
21. Timothy McVeigh	275	1.43%
22. Slobodan Milosevic	242	1.26%
23. Marquis de Sade	222	1.16%
24. Mommar Khadafy	218	1.14%
25. Jack the Ripper	203	1.06%

## JUDGES AND BIG BUCKS

Based on and by authority of 28 USC Sec 371 (a) & (b), Article III District court judges have no retirement or pension plan. This is because they are appointed for life so they receive their full pay check and associated benefits for life, as they work or when they decide to step down. Upon their death they can under sec. 371 (b) make the assignment of their paycheck and benefits to a wife or close dependent relative as a survivorship benefit.

Now, that's a good deal. Just remember that the federal government has to, and is putting aside the full amount of that revenue, in advance, (a few million dollars) for each district judge.

Well, as long as that judge doesn't step out of line against the inner circle, he or she will have the gravy train for life, and thereafter.

--Walter J. Burien, Jr.

## NJ MILITIA MEMBER IN SENATE RACE

In NJ, the message is spreading; it is NOT political death to support the ENTIRE Bill of Rights.

Emerson Ellett [the Libertarian Party candidate] is a very dedicated Civil Libertarian who has spent most of his retired waking hours fighting for your Rights. A thankless job to be sure, but Emerson would tell you, "Someone has to do it!"

Emerson has led some very tough, thankless fights. He is the NJ point man for the Fully Informed Jury people, and has been a leader in the fight against improper, unconstitutional property seizure. He is a founder of the New Jersey Militia, and is quite public about that (as are ALL the NJM leaders--these guys don't cower!)

All in all, things, in NJ, are improving for those of us who place our Constitution and Precious Civil Liberties second only to our allegiance to Our Creator.

With Dr. Murray Sabrin, and now Emerson Ellett in the race for U.S. Senate, NJ residents have two very strong, very interesting, Civil Rights oriented candidates. I pray that they both get a chance for open debate with the other people running for Lautenberg's seat.

Believe me, either one of these guys would give the rest of the field a real run for the money, and we at GONJ predict that you will see a situation develop in which an open, honest, impartial debate of all the candidates, will be difficult to find.

Why? We'll tell you why--the four Republican candidates (other than Murray Sabrin), and the Democratic candidates are scared of these two guys! The gun control issue is running away from the Democrats, the abortion issue is galloping away from Liberals of either camp; and that leaves only the meat and potato issues of good government as REAL issues.

This NJ U.S. Senate election is going to be REALLY interesting; in fact it might even be a referendum on the entire, national, political scene. Stay tuned, this is going to be a corker of an election battle!

And, remember: GUN CONTROL KILLS!!

--Gun Owners of New Jersey

## UN COMPLAINS ABOUT U.S. BORDER POLICY

"MEXICO CITY — The U.N.'s highest human rights official says she wants the United States to explain why it polices the safest

border crossings, forcing immigrants to risk their lives in the most dangerous areas," reported the AP November 28, 1999.

The answer is quite simple: taxpayers are staggering under the burden of paying for the medical, educational and other social needs of illegal immigrants. Few nations, if any, would tolerate one tenth of the of the crap the U.S. has to put up with regarding illegal immigration. Does anyone at the UN understand the phrase "sovereign nation?"

"Some 455 people have died since the beginning of Operation Gatekeeper, a 5-year-old program that increases the number of Border Patrol agents along the southern California border. Migrant rights advocates say the program has forced immigrants to take more dangerous routes through deserts and mountains to avoid the patrol," reported the AP.

Leading the complaint against the U.S. is Mary Robinson, U.N. High Commissioner for Human Rights. Robinson said that Operation Gatekeeper was *"deflecting people* (from normal routes), *at risk to their lives, when they decide to immigrate."* When *"...they decide to immigrate!?"* More like *"...when they decide to break the law."*

Rather than go to Mexico and speak with Mexican officials and ask them to put a stop to illegal immigration, Ms. Robinson places all the blame on us.

There was not a single mention in Ms. Robinson's report about the financial burden on American taxpayers to cover the cost of illegal immigration. Typical UN bias against the U.S.

## MORE PROBLEMS FOR GUN MANUFACTURERS

"As gun companies fight to survive an onslaught of city lawsuits and renewed interest in gun control, they have encountered yet another powerful adversary - their own insurers," reported Sharon Walsh in the *Washington Post* November 26, 1999.

When any business finds itself in legal trouble they expect their insurance companies to foot the bill for legal costs. But firearms manufactures are receiving a cold shoulder from their insurance companies.

"Many firearms makers and sellers have been notified by their insurers that they have no intention of paying what could be astronomical legal bills or any judgments associated with the suits," reported Walsh.

If that weren't enough: "Separately, a number of smaller gun companies that had trouble getting insurance in the first place have discovered that their insurer, Leeds & London Merchants Insurance, was not licensed to sell insurance in many states and is now going out of business. Several of the companies Leeds & London insured have filed for bankruptcy protection from creditors. Now that Leeds &



London is also going out of business, that leaves individuals who've sued those companies in product liability cases little hope of ever recovering damages.

"Several lawsuits already have been filed by industry members against their underwriters in what some gun company officials say could be the beginning of an all-out war between insurers and gun companies."

*"It'll bankrupt them all," said Daniel Abel, an attorney in the Safe-Gun Group, an organization of New Orleans lawyers suing gun companies. "If the insurers walk away from the gun companies, they are looking at defending themselves in 28 major lawsuits."*

This could be a blessing in disguise for gun makers: If the "insurers walk away" there's no money and where there is no money there are no lawyers. A victory in court against a gun maker with no money to pay in a civil suit only becomes a "paper victory."

However, "In September, Maryland's Beretta U.S.A. Corp. sued its insurer, Chubb Corp., in federal court in the Northern District of Maryland after Chubb refused to contribute to Beretta's defense. The National Shooting Sports Foundation also sued Nationwide Mutual Insurance over its refusal to pay the industry association's defense costs in a case pending in New Orleans. In that case, the judge ordered the insurer to pay."

Gulf Insurance of New York has stopped writing policies for gun companies, and Frontier Insurance said it no longer will be a player in insuring gun shops. Insurance for gun companies will become scarcer and more expensive.

*"It's very difficult to find insurance when your industry is in the midst of a crisis. It's like trying to insure a house when it's in the path of an oncoming hurricane," said Robert Hartwig, vice president of the Insurance Information Institute in New York.*

### N.J. Militiaman Injured in Fall

Art Goodstone, 77, a lifelong patriot, recently fell and broke his arms. You can send cards and letters to him at

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Old Bridge, NJ 08857

### Letters to the Editor

Fellow Volunteers,

In the NJM newsletter of Dec., 1999 there was a glaring error by Alan Dershowitz, in regards to lawful exercise of our rights, which is absolute.

King George III considered it treasonous to revolt against Britain. If the patriots had no lawful, constitutional right to revolt then we are an illegitimate nation, for you cannot achieve lawful results by unlawful means i.e., the money you steal cannot lawfully be yours.

On the other hand, if human beings have unalienable rights, to be used in a lawful manner, then they are truly absolute. Why shouldn't rights be absolute, so long as no one else has their rights infringed by you exercising yours? As King George III did not have the right to do what he had done to the colonists they had the absolute right to do what they did!

Therefore, the lawful exercise of a right is absolute.

If the crowded theater is burning you may lawfully notify the crowd by yelling "Fire!"

Your right to speak the truth, without infringing the rights of another is absolute!

Alan Dershowitz speaks of "sensible gun laws" regarding the Second Amendment -- what "sensible" laws would he support, restricting the creation of a nation "conceived in liberty"?

Rights cannot be infringed. Someone notify Alan Dershowitz of this truth.

D.S.  
Massachusetts

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Dear Sirs,

I enjoy your NJM Newsletter. All the men who have read it want a subscription. We have a slight problem. It is difficult to send money to the outside world.

The Georgia Dept. of Corrections doesn't pay the inmates for any services rendered. On the other hand they charge us for Medical, Dental, Optical and bookkeeping. Not to mention DRs (disciplinary reports) and the triple prices we pay at the prison store. Once they keep our funds at the prison the DOC knows they will eventually get all our money.

We were hoping we could send our \$10 donation in postage stamps. The prison staff doesn't open, or censor our outgoing mail.

Maybe you could use the postage stamps to help with your mailing. It sure would simplify things for us.

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State Prison (Georgia)

Ed.: Sure; we can always use postage stamps.

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### Hail to the Missouri 51st

Ed.: the Missouri 51st Militia forwarded the following letter to us.

Hello,

My name is XX from X, New Jersey. I am 14 years old. After seeing your show on the Discovery channel I got a good look at what really goes on in a militia. I even ordered a copy of the tape to show my friends and let them see the real deal on militias. I totally, 100%, support your views. I wish New Jersey had a law abiding militia that was as active as the Missouri 51st. (We have a militia but not as active as yours.) As a young boy I was brought up around the atmosphere of patriotism and firearms. I know what militias are about, and I don't let the media warp my mind. Firearms bans like the NJ law that bans semi-automatic firearms are not aimed at stopping crime, but only to disarm the good people. Also the tragedies at Waco and Ruby Ridge disturb and anger me. This is why I think the government is getting too powerful and out of hand and why militias like the 51st are important to the upholding of the constitution. I do not support fringe groups that call themselves militias, and tarnish the name. I am not racist, or at all a radical. I hope these fringe groups are shut down. These are my views, and you won't find less than a handful like me at my age in the tri-state area with views that match mine. If ever in my lifetime I find my way to a dwelling in Missouri, you can bet that I'll sign up with the Missouri 51st.

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P.S. My father has taught me all I know about this subject and has been a good influence.

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